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DEATH. At Manils, on the 23rd inst., suddenly, WALTER EDWARD ' HUNYUT, aged 31, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. (hunyut, Parkside, Kowloon.

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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 24TH, 1908.

THE people of China have just been observing the Winter Solstice—a festival which the English-speaking house-boy of Hongkong usually interprets as "the Chi- of Merit. Dr. Hedin intended to stay three nese Christmas." It is an interesting days in Seoul and expected to be home by interpretation, and there is more in it than is probably dreamt of in the philosophy of the house-boy. The festival of the Nativity was not always celebrated by the Christain Church. During the first three centuries the Christians followed the or. dinary methods of reckoning time which prevailed among those around them, and it was not till the fourth century that the church fixed upon the twenty-fifth day of December for the commemoration of the day of the Nativity. Different causes have been assigned for the choice of this date, and there are among the old writers those who opine that the festivities connected with the celebration of Christmas were intended to make up for the Saturnali, conformably to the practice which bad been acted upon from an earlier period, of smoothing incurred by them in their dealings with Chinese the way for the conversion of the heathen by presenting their idolatrous ceremonies under a new form. And one writer says "there is not wanting reason to suppose that from the Winter Solstice being observed as

the birthday of the sun, when that luminary, returning from the south, seemed to be restored to the world, the transition was suggested to the celebration of the birth of Him who is the light and life of the world." Eo much for the connection between the Chinese "Christmas" and our own. As to the pleasures we associate with the season, it will astonish many who are fond of mince pies to know that it used to be regarded in England as a point of orthodoxy to partake of a mince pie because "this delectable dish was regarded with peculiar aversion by the Puritaus." All the favourite pastimes which we associate with the festival, such as music and dancing, dipping for nuts and apples, blind-man's-buff, and all the rest, were also regarded with "the utmost horror" by the Puritans, "who oursed them with a wiath that was at best fanatical." It must therefore be a relief to all small boys and girls to and a settlement with Holland is know that the Puritaus have ceased from troubling and that the plum pudding and the mince pie are in no danger of disappearing from the Christmas menu. Also that Father Christmas is still alive to pay his annual visit even to boys and girls in Hongkong and China coast ports. This has been described as an age child-worship -an age when the child is the centre of attention for many, if not indeed, all classes of the community, and has a place in public and private life unknown and undreamt of by parents and children of any fifty years ago. We can realise this at Christmas better than at any other time of the COCOANUT TAFFY, ALMOND year for the windows of the shops speak TAFFY, CREME APRICOTS, SUCRE eloquently enough of this ser timent or the DE LA CREME CARAMELS, PEPPER- age, as also of many other changed aspects of the observance of Christma. Not only the piracy of trademarks in Japan, Sir has none of the "old honour" of Christmas departed, but the development of rapid communications in the last half century or so have brought about the growth of customs which serve to make testival more honoured than ever before. interests. Take the Christmas Card as instance. How many millions of these cards are now sold every year? They must indeed run into many millions in the English-speaking countries alone. Yet it was not before 1862 that the first Christmas Card was issued iv a London firm. The first cards bore-pictures of robins, holly &c., and were very mo lest productions indeed compared with the highly artistic cards which are placed on the market in such enormous quantities to-day. The inventive genius of the age which has rendered the printing of these highly finished productions possible, which has cheapened postul communications, and made rapid travelling by railway possible, has through each and all of these means Editor, not for publication but as evidence of strengthened the old associations of Christgood faith.

All letters for publication should be written on mas, which is essentially a festival of the home, and is therefore likely to remain have already appeared in other papers will be for ever as it was in the cays of Shakes-PEARE, a time "so hallow'd and so gracious."

Last night Ye Yuletide Quartette (male voices) were waiting upon residents at the Peak, the object they had in view being to obtain contributions towards the Cathedral Organ Fund and the

National Children's Home, London. Yesterday a burglary at the married military quarters just off Kennedy Road was reported to the police. The robber had gained admission to the house by breaking a pane of glass in a door and opening the door. He got off with \$30.

Mr. William Thompson, chief engineer of the Pacific Mail steamer Asia, died of dysentery while at sea on November 24th and was interred at Yekohama on the ship's arrival there on the 14th inst. The ship was disinfected soon after arrival in port.

Dr. Sven Hedin left Japan on the 13th inst. after making a pleasant stay of just a month. Another charge against him was wounding the in the country. The Emperor of Japan other Indian. conferred upon him the First Class Order

The Hon. Mr. H. C. Nicolle (formerly Government auditor of Hongkong) was still in hospital at Colombo a fortnight ago. nature of his illness is enteric fever and the intest newspapers state that the patient's pro_ gress "is almost as satisfactory as can be expected."

The Portuguese gunboat Patria, was at Colombo on the 7th inst bound for Macao. Sha is described as being about fifteen years old, and is lightly armed, the number of guns being ten four 4-in, gans and six 18-in, guns. Her dimensions are as follows:-Displacement 520 tons. length 1963 feet; beam 271 feet; draught 81 feet. Her meximum speed is 15 knots per hour-

His Honour the Chief Justice yesterday delivered his reserved judgment in the original action in which S. J. David & Co. sued Chan Ut Chiu, late compradore of the firm, for losses customers which, it was alleged, were guaranteed by the defendant, and in the counterclaim by the latter for the return of \$55,000 security. His Honour found for the defendant with costs on the claim, and for his counterclaim. The full text of the decision appears in another column.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILT PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.

HOLLAND'S NEW HOPE.

London, December 23rd. It is announced that Queen Wilhelmina is again enceinte.

HOLLAND AND VENEZUELA.

A SETTLEMENT PROBABLE.

LONDON, December 23rd. A new Cabinet has been formed in Venezuela and President Castro's credit has been stopped.

His supporters have been arrested probable.

REUTER'S SERVICE.] GERMANY IN THE FAR EAST.

London, December 21st. It is stated in St. Petersburg that Germany has decided to cease sending troops to the Far East by sea and has arranged with Russia to utilise the Siberian railway.

> BRITISH TRADE MARKS IN JAPAN.

London. December 21st. In reply to a complaint from the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce concerning Edward Grey said that the situation was largely due to the failure of foreigners to and he recon ended traders to appoint a the common agent in Tokyo to watch their

PROROGATION OF PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, December 21st.

Parliament is prorogued. The King's speech says that relations with Foreign Powers continue friendly. Several important agreements have been concluded tending to the consolidation of peace, and there is reason to hope that wise conciliatory counsels will prevail in the Balkans, and that an amicable settlement will be reached with the consent of the signatories of the Berlin Treaty. Commissioners have been appointed to attend an international opium a view of assisting China to era licate the opium trade with the Empire.

FIRE AT LAICHIKOK.

Early yesterday morning fire broke out in a workshed near the oil tanks at Laichikok and quickly spread to adjoining matsheds. The inflammable material rapidly burned and the conflagration was at its height when the Fire Brigade arrived under Mr. Orme. The tige was prevented from spreading further. The damage is not very considerable.

THE NEW TERRITORY TRACEDY.

At the Magistracy yesterday a Chinese named Lau Fung was placed in the dock charged with the murder of Jewar Singh, an Indian watchman, at Shatin and also with being in possession of an offensive weapon a hammer, and further with being concerned with other persons not in custody in robbing deceased of \$250 and robbing work. another Indian of \$5 and a silver watch.

HIGH EDUCATION IN EUROPE.

According to the latest returns, says an exchange, higher education in Europe seems to be me upon the boom than ever, which may doubuess be gratefully attributed to the various forms of the modern University Extension movement which have of late years been so successfully adopted by the various nations, each after its own fashion. The University statistics for the year 1907 are given as under :--

Country.	Univer- sities.	Stu- dents.
Germany	21	49,000
France	16	32,000
Austria-Hungary	$M \in 11$	30,000
England	15	25,000
Italy	21	24,000
Russia	9	23,000
Spain	9	12,000
Switzerland	· 7	6,500
Belgium	4	5,000
Sweden	3	5,000
Roumania	2	5,000
Holland	 5	4,000
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Denmark and Servia—have each one university. Thus it will be seen that, passing over the smaller countries altogether, there are established in the cause of higher education in Europe in all 23 universities having a yearly attendance of students numbering 220,500 in round figures.

A TRIP NORTH.

A HONGKONG GENTLEMAN'S IMPRESSIONS.

Since the momentous events of last month more than ordinary attention has been directed to Peking and the North of China and the impressions of such an soute observer as Mr Lau Chu Pak, who has just returned from a trip in the North, will no doubt be read with interest. especially as they indicate that the rumoured unrest in that part of the country has not found

expression. His conclusions are entirely differ-

ent. He found the country peaceful, the people

contented, and, though trade everywhere was

bad, the outlook was not without hope. But it is perhaps better to give his own words:-Yes, it certainly was an interesting trip. passed through 105 towns and villages, and, of course, I saw a great deal of my fellow countrymen. Speaking generally, there can be no doubt that the introduction of railways has

effected a great improvement in the country The people have perhaps unconsciously undergone a change, but a change that is nevertheless apparent. They have grown accustomed to foreigners, they are not so shy of them as they once were. Of course, they have much to learn yet, but the enlightenment which has been effected is undoubtedly a tribute to

the educational influence of the locomotive. The line from Hankow to Peking passes through 73 stations. Candidly I was not impressed by the line. There is plenty of room for improvement in the direction of comforts for travellers. General supervision seems to be at present advised, I do not think this is lacking, and things are left too much to the boys possible. I think if my judgment in Chan Ki's or caretakers of the different carriages. If you case (which was referred to in support of the don't tip them sufficiently you cannot even get argument) is read as it was intended, it will be water. You are expected to pay a dollar or more found that I carefully guarded myself from for a pot of tea and a few melon seeds. The coolies who carry the luggage are also a nuisance like those elsewhere they ask more than they are entitled to but as you are practically at their mercy you have to accede to their demands. On the Shanghai to Nanking Railway and on the Tientsin to Peking railway the conditions are much better, both as regards service and comforts. Shanghai is, of course, the best. There you can get what you want, and you are not put to all sorts of inconveniences if you do not comply with extertionate demands. At Peking after you pay the coolie hire to the head take proper action to secure their rights, men you are met with a request for an extra payment which, it is explained, intended as a contribution to a certain hospital but whether it exists or not you have no means detained fully two hours on account of the difficulties with coolies and also the strict search of the luggage made by the underlings.

Peking itself is perfectly calm, both in the commercial and political worlds; there being no such occurrences as were rumoured in the South. Everybody is in his old position and the Regent seems fair and reasonable. In matters of State

seniority. The management of the Tientsin-Peking railway has satisfactory results. The carriages are better than on the other railways and the attention greater. There are also good comportable waiting rooms. The Hankow Railway seems to be entirely under the control conference in Shanghai to suggest measures of the Chinese clerical staff. The country for the gradual suppression of op um, with crossed by the line is flat, but the soil rich and every bit of ground is under cultivation The appearance of the people is not very bright but still they seem contented. The traffic on the Yangteze is tremendous. The boats are always full of passengers, doubt, competition is very keen. As far as I could see perfect peace reigns throughout the country. Business is bad every-

What impressed me with regard to Tientsin me to be the best kept of all.

One feature of rural life which struck me was | mala fides on his part. the variety of animals used in ploughing the fields. In one place I saw a donkey, a bullock action must rest on express agreement; and and a horse harnessed o the one plough. In another place I saw a more primitive arrange. of even date, 30th January 1902. A mortgage ment. A man and his wife were tilling the of certain lessehold property by the defendant soil. The man dug a spade in the ground and to Mr. A. J. David, whom for convenience I the woman pulled it by means of the rope attached to the spade. In this way they David & Co., and an agreement between the laboriously turned up the soil.

Altogether my trip was most interesting and instructive. It gave me an opportunity of seeing what the Chinese are doing in the North and it showed beyond doubt that the state of the country is peaceful. Detectives are all over the Chinese dressed in European clotshing receive much attention from these men.

BANDMANN COMEDY COMPANY.

the Hon. Victor Bretherton.

SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, 23rd December. IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIE F. Piggott).

A COMPRADORE'S LIABILITY. The Chief Justice delivered his reserved lecision in the action in which S. J. David and Company, merchants, sued Chan Ut Chui, a compredere formerly in their employ, for the recovery of \$648,816, the amount of damages due under agreement. Defendant counterclaimed for the return of his security 355,000 alloging that he had fulfilled the terms of his contract. Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. Jackson (of Messra Johnson, Stokes and Master) appeared for the plaintiffs, while defen-

dant was represented by Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. J. Scott (of Messrs. Ewens and Harston) His Lordship said-Messrs. David & Co. are suing Chan Ut Chin, the late compradore of the firm, for losses incurred by them in their

dealings with Chinese customers which, it is alleged, were guaranteed by the defendant. Before coming to the real question involved in this case there are a few preliminary questions

which must be disposed of. It was argued that the liability of the defendant flowed from the nature of the arrangement between the parties, and that it was imported in the word "compradore" itself. As using words from which such an inference could be gathered. The utmost that the Court can assume to know is that the compradore guarantees Chinese customers; but what I said showed

he yields to Prince Ching on account of his projudice, he may show that it is not a fact. under the mortgage or the agreement. As I where and Hongkong is no worse than the gument. Does not this admission show what which the defendant has taken upon himself as was that the Chinese part was quite Europeanis- Can I give judgment against what is the I will not set out in the mortgage. He cannot contend ed. The roads are well made well policed, assume clear intention of the parties. I do not that these things which are included in the and trams, carriages and ricshas run think that there is any rule of law, however, everywhere. Houses in the European style which requires a Court to enforce the intentio are being rapidly run up, mostly for the of the parties, assuming it to be ascertaine Cantonese holding official positions or trading aliunde, contrary to the meaning of the words be put in any other than this ingenious way. there. The shops owned by Chinese seem to be as used in the agreement. The law requires leaving the foreign settlement and grouping the Court to seek the intention of the parties together in the Chinese city. There can be no from the words they have to express that inten- be read together, yet the express references doubt that Tientsin is progressive and that it tion, and I think I am right in saying that, to in the agreement to the mortgage cannot will become an important trading centre. The take an extreme case, even if a man knew that be ignored, and that these are really dis-British settlement is very large and appears to certain liabilities were intended to be under- junctive and not conjunctive. And the taken by him when he signed the agreement In Peking you see well made roads, and what in question, yet if he finds that the agreement ment is no more than an agreement to be is more, you will see steam rollers constantly at as signed does not impose that liability on him, responsible for the moneys owing under the

These matters disposed of, it is clear that the order to prove this two documents were put in will describe as mortgagee on behalf of the firm defendant and the firm, by which an amount of \$55,000 was deposited by way of further security with regard to the mortgage, the form of itone of the partners being the mortgagee and not the firm-I must confess seems to be peculiar: in order, however, that no technicality of the actual rights of the parties I suggested that Mr. A. J. David should be added as plaintiff in the action. This seems to me to be at least advisable, as although the agreement s the document sued on, the mortgage lies at the bottom of the action by reason of the cross-"Diana of Dobson's," with its social satire, references between the two documents. Now was the attraction provided by the Bandmann with regard to the method by which the agreeomedy Company last night. A good house ment has been effected, I am bound to say that I enjoyed the production which was up to the high cannot see the necessity for this complicated standard established this season. Miss Florence piece of conveyancing, for it seems to carry out Hamer took the part of the enterprising Diana what I will assume to be clear by what is very whose ambitions and a stroke of luck carried her manifestly obscure, Clarum per obscurum. into the society and the life which she wished. The plaintiff's case is that the compradore while Mr. Thomas Sydney earned applause as the was to undertake certain obligations, and and Mr. Douglas Vigors did extremely well as mortgage. There seems to be no very of the losses is limited to the amount of the great difficulty in devising the necessary security taken. The cases and books t brow

1 form of deeds; an agreement setting out the obligations, and a mortgage in which the fulfilment of the obligations is made the condition of redemption. The additional security by way of cash deposit does not add much to the complexity of the matter. Instead of this, however, some of the terms of the arrangement between the compradore and the firm are em_ bodied in the agreement, and some are made conditions of redemption and the two doouments are linked together by a series of crossreferences. It would unduly complicate this judgment if I were to refer to any other term of the arrangement than the one with which this action is directly concerned. The mortgager assigns certain property to the mortgages with the following, among other, provises for redemption:

If the compredore shall on demand pay to the firm any deficiency in the price of goods sold by the firm in connexion with contracts made by the firm with Chinese buyers whether such loss is incurred by breach of contract or otherwise. If the compradore shall on demand pay certain

other moneys in certain other eventualities which do not concern us in this action.

Then in these events but in these events only the mortgagee will re-assign the premises to the mortgagor.

There is a power of sale on giving one month's notice of the above demands; also a covenant by the mortgagor, in the event of the property depreciating in value, to pay the difference between \$45,000 and \$55,000, at which value the property mortgaged had apparently been assessed. There is no personal covenant to pay the deficiency above alluded to. But there is a reference to an agreement already prepared. to be signed immediately after the execution of the mortgage, which appears as part of the consideration for the mortgage, the other part being the compliance by the plaintiff firm with the reclearly that the extent of his suretyship must quest of the defendant to employ him as comprabe derived from the documents in which the dore. The agreement of even date recites the mortagreement is drawn up; and I must now add | gage; and that in order to further provide the (subject to what I shall say presently on this security the defendant had deposited the sum of point) as also the remedies agreed upon for \$55,000 to be held by the firm on the conditions enforcing the obligation of the security. But appearing in the agreement. By this agreement even had I gone further, I could not hold the compradore is engaged for three years. myself bound by what I may have said in a Paragraph 8 is the important clause: it provides former case on a point which was not argued in so far as it is material to the present action, in that case, even though what I said was as follows:-The \$55,000 is to be held by the material, and not obiter. A good deal of firm as part security for the due payment of all stress was laid on the fact that there had moneys for the time being owing to the firm by been an admission of liability on the the compradore under and by virtue of the part of the defendant, in a declaration made recited mortgage or of the agreement, and most vexations delays in the capital. I was by him in support of his petition to be all such moneys may be retained out of adjudged bankrupt, on which petition the the \$55,000; but notwithstanding this the Court made no order. I haid down in Wong Ka compradore shall be responsible for and Cheong's case that the utmost length to which make good to the firm all such moneye the law goes in the way of holding a man bound as aforesaid whether the same shall or shall by what he has asserted to be a fact when it is not exceed in amount the value of proceeds of not a fact, is in the doctrine of estoppel; if it sale of the premises mortgaged by the recited dres not fall within that doctrine, that is to say, mortgage and the said \$55,000. The words "all it no one has acted on the assertion to his such moneys as aforesaid " mean all moneys due In this case, believing himself to be liable for | have said the mortgage contains no personal the losses incurred by the firm, he made the covenant to pay the amount of the losses statement in the abortive bankruptcy proceed- incurred by the firm in their dealings with ings. He has since been advised that he is Chinese customers; and the question which not liable in law; is he to be debarred from somewhat perplexed me, and which I directed asking the Court to determine the question o to be re-argued is, whether this stipulation in law? Surely not! But in truth the admission | the agreement can be treated as of the same in this case was only insisted on with the object effect as, and as if it were in fact the of making the defendant begin. I think there personal covenant of the mortgage introis no warrant for this contention; but as the case | dueed into the agreement. It struck me and has developed itself it seems clear that there is still strikes me as curious that this point essentially a legal question only involved, and so was not taken originally and the case long as I can get at the true law which ought to rested on it: but the case was put in. decide the question I do not much care who the following way: this reference in the agreebegins. The admission has, however, a bearing ment to payment of money owing under the on the case which I think it advisable to refer to, mortgage has this effect—that what is stated in although it was not, I think, put forward in ar- the mortgage becomes evidence of the obligations was the real intention of the parties? I must compradore; it prevents him from saying that confess that this question troubles me a little he is not responsible for any matters which are redemption clause are not part of the duties or obligations. After hearing the argument I am disposed to think that the plaintiffs case cannot On behalf of the defendant it was contended that, although the two documents were to result of this is that clause 8 of the agreehe is not bound, there being, of course, no mortgage which brings us back to the point from which we started. This contention then takes this form; that the only way in which the moneys owing under a mortgage can be ascertained is by foreclosure: and as there is no covenant to pay the losses incurred by the firm the remedy is limited to foreclosure, and there is no liability beyond the actual security taken. As it is important to emphasise the real issue raised by the defendant I will amplify this contention: it is not merely that as the action on rea rence in the agreement on a condition of the right of redemption, the proper form of the action is foreclosure instead of an action on the agreement. It is not merely that because the agreement says that the compradore agrees to place, looking out for suspicious characters. should stand in the way of the determination pay what is for the time found owing under the mortgage, therefore the mortgage procedure for finding out what is due under the mortgage must be adopted. It goes much further: it is that this part of the agreement is practically. useless as a clause importing of itself any precise obligation; that nothing can be found owing under the mortgage as there is no personal covenant, but that the result of it is to leave the remedies under the mortgage precisely as they are to be found in the mortgage: that is to say that if this condition for redemption is not complied with, the remedy and the only remedy is provided by the mortgage itself, which is foreclosure; and that therefore the remedy in the absence successful business man, Sir Jabez Grindlay, he was to give certain security by way of of express covenant to pay the actual amount

the fulfillment of the obligations of the com-

pradore, as surety of the Chinese customers.

the liabilities which he is allowed to incur on the

supposed basis of the suretyship far exceed the

amount of the security. It is just because of the parties-that the personal covenant should have been inserted; and it is because of this that this complicated question had had to be Company, convened for the 11th December, the argued. I have been compelled to express an Directors, after providing for the usual dividend opinion upon it with such materials as were laid at the rate of 5 per cent per annum on the pre. before me, together with such light as my own ferred stock, were to recommend a dividend on researches among the authorities threw upon it. the deferred stock of 62 per cent for the six I cannot profess to be satisfied with the result | months, and a bonus of 3 per cent, making, with because I am uncertain whether I have got interim dividend of 31 per cent paid in June, to the bottom, of the matter, for the law of distribution on the deferred stock of 13 permortgages goes far back into the earliest cent for the year, or a total distribution of 9 per decisions of the Courts, and it may cent on the paid up capital. be that I have overlooked some occult principle which would tell in the plaintiff's favour. All I can say is that in the event of between owners of the steamship lines taking the case going further I must invite the learned cargo for Europe or for the United States via Counsel engaged to a more profound study of | Suez to bring into force in Hongkong on and the early law than was possible before a Court after 11th January next an arrangement for of first instance. With regard to the case of | the measuring for cargo by a sworn measurer. ex-parte Bishop to which I have referred, I With this end in view Captain B. Branch has must not be understood as expressing any been appointed official measurer for the lines opinion one way or the other as to its bearing | running to Europe as well as the lines carrying on this case, nor have I formed any opinion. I cargo to the United States via Suez. Captain. do not think that I should be justified in direct- O. Mensing has been appointed official measurer ing a re-argument on the point. It can be taken on appeal if the plaintiff is so advised. With regard to the counter claim, it by no means follows from what I have said that the defendant is necessarily entitled to judgment on the counter claim. If the additional cash security of \$55,000 was so linked on with the security of the current season, a Calcutta paper says, has given by the mortgage that the conditions of proved a complete success, and has offered many the redemption of the mortgage were also the advantages to shippers of tea to the Russian justify me in coming to that conclusion. Clause | would have to be transhipped at Colombo. The agreement which only raises the same question on which the first steamer left the port; and have already decided. Defendant must therefore counter claim.

On the application of Mr. Pollock, his Lordship granted a stay of execution for three months to give the parties an opportunity of considering the matter.

CANTON.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

December, 23rd.

OPIUM PILLS. The Wai-wu-pu has cabled to the Viceroy that a disputch has been received from the British Minister in which it is stated that the British Consul at Canton has reported to him The British Consul further said that upon analyzed by the Government Medical Bureau and that the authorities have sanctioned the sale. The Consul reports that he purchased six pills from each shop and had them forwarded to the wu-pu desires to know what are the actual she left San Francisco with a view of rounding I methods adopted by the Medical Bureau in Cape Horn, which, in the circumstances, was a smoking submitted by the dealers to the Governstringent measures are adopted and strict inquiries made in the matter. Should any

are carried out to the letter. WEATHER REPORT.

dealers fraudently beselling or evading the regu-

are requested to see that the opium regulations

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:--On the 23rd at 12.05 p.m.—The barometer has risen considerably over China and pressure is again high along the Yangtze valley. The depression has probably reached E.

Japan, but the Japanese returns for this Strong moonsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:-(N. winds, fresh;

at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Hongkong & Neighbourhood. N.E. winds, Formosa Channel strong. South coast of China between Same as No. 1. Hongkong and Lamocks. South coast of China between N. winds. Hongkong and Hainan ...

strong.

SHIPPING NOTES.

At the 68th ordinary general meeting of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation

Agreements have recently been concluded at Canton for the steamers carrying cargo to the United States via Suez.

The direct service between Calcutta and Vladivostok which was inaugurated by the Imperial Volunteer Fleet at the commencement conditions for releasing the security, then the market. The time occupied by the fleet's vessels plaintiff could hold the \$55,000 until the losses from port to port is only some 16 days in all, resulting from dealings with Chinese customers and this in itself should be an inducement to were paid. But, although I have searched shippers to utilise the new route; but the most through both ducuments, I can find only a few important feature is the saving in double handsentences which point that way, but none which ling of cargo which by an alternative route 11 of the agreement refers to the fulfilment of two vessels employed in this service by the the obligations of the compradore, that is to Volunteer Fleet have taken away over 62 million say, the obligations of the mortgage and the lbs. of tes since the 25th of June last, the date as is raised in the plaintiff's case, and which I this innovation has doubtless been keenly felt by opposing steamship companies who have hitherhave judgment with costs on claim and for his to enjoyed the patronage of shippers to the Russian market via the Far Eastern route.

> We note in a London contemporary the following reference to the late Captain Duke of the Glen Line:-In the olden days the China tea trade was responsible for many a keen contest in sea speed, and large sums of money were frequently dependent on one gallant ship outstripping another. Nowadays most of the sentiment has gone out of the business, but there are not a few men, like Captain W. E. Duke, when steam was first used to get the new season's under the incitement of Chinese officials, it with knowledge, ability, and success.

More detailed news is now to hand respecting for re-insurance.

Australian Customs officials saw in the arrival made an attempt to round Cape Horn, but had the misfortune to break her rudder. -Whether she was driven towards the Australian coast, or lations they should be severely punished. All whether, as is suggested, it was intended to take officials holding high and important positions the junk back home to Shanghai, is not quite clear. Anyhow, according to last accounts, the junk and her crew were quite comfortable in Australian waters. Possibly the vessel may be taken into some Australian port for exhibition purposes, and, after repairs, make another attempt to reach Galveston. It is at least tribute to the construction of this vessel that she should so far have moved in safety over some of the stormiest waters of the globe. It was said that she might ultimately be brought to London for exhibition purposes, but that expectation now seems a long way off realisation.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Apear str. C. Apear from Calcutta left

pected here on the 28th inst. Singapore on the 22nd inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 29th inst.

Mail from San Francisco of 1st inst., in addition be delayed until the 4th prox.

HOME AND CHINA AFFAIRS. [FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, November 29th.

BIE ROBERT HART. Sir Robert Hart is again being honoured his own countrymen. The "Old Boys" Wesley College, who are proud to call him one of themselves, will entertain him to dinner at the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, next Thursday, with the Irish Master of the Rolls, the Rt. Hon_ Richard E. Meredith, in the chair. Next day Bir Robert will distribute the prizes at the College and then he will proceed for a few days

to his native town of Lisburn. On the Saturday following the Dublin func. tions he will receive an address from the Lisburn Town Council and on a subsequent day, he will attend the annual meeting of the Home Mission in the Seymour Street Methodist Church, where he worshipped as a boy and where his father was a respected member years ago. The men of Antrim are vastly proud of Sir Robert.

IMPERIAL DEATHS: buttonhole Sir Robert on the tragic events in | Clementi Smith with experience of Hongkong, China. But though in his genial way he made | the Straits, and Ceylon. I am informed that few general observations as to customs and the Government has the greatest faith in the ceremonies incidental to such a circumstance he resolutely declined to comment on personalities prospective or retrospective, though apparently his optimism in regard to the future of the Chinese is undimmed by recent events.

floats at half mast according to the Western custom, and prominent people attached to Anglo-Chinese affairs have called to express his secretary. Sir Cecil C. Smith goes on the their condolences. To others the Minister, same date. Lord Li, has been inaccessible. The best informed men here. I find, are of opinion that under Prince Chun's regency the progressive movement will continue to develop as wisdom dictates. As for the papers, the diligent reader must be in a maze as to the character of the late rulers and the temperament of the present Regent. According to the choice of the various writers are the adjectives ranged from the glowingly flattering to the unmitigatedly denunciatory. The Downger was either a beneficient autocrat, Queen Elizabeth, a Catherine the Great, or, if you preferred, she was a Machiavellian despot, as cruel as a tiger and as reactionary as all her Manchu training and natural abilities could make her. Truly the lack of knowledge lends wondrous aid to the imagination and the average writer on these subjects has been untramelled by the limitations of hard facts.

THE MACAO BOUNDARY QUESTION. Though a denial, has been issued in Lisbon to marine superintendent of the Glen Line, just the report that Cabinet has hurriedly ordered deceased, who learned their business in tea two cruisers and two gunboats to proceed to clippers, and followed the trade down to the days | Macao because of forebodings of native troubles, teas to market. Captain Duke served his time in admitted that some naval reliefs are to be taken the well-known clippers Red Jacket and Betled out. I am informed that there is real anxiety Will, and he afterwards sailed in the clipper as to Far Eastern affairs in Portugal, for it is ship, Sir William Wallace. Thirty years ago he feared that the backwash of native unrest that joined the Glen Line, and was in command of has afflicted nearly every alien administration some of its fastest steamships, racing home in since the successes of the Japanese, will spread Glenogle against another quick-heeled to Portuguese territory, and there is also an steamer, the Moyune, belonging to a competitive uneasy feeling that China is still nursing a firm. Fourteen years ago Captain Duke left grievance in that Portugal did not take a hand the sea to become marine superintendent of the on the Chinese side in the Tatsu Maru case. Glen Line. The office is one usually allotted to Not for the world would Portugal be mixed up a retired commander, and Captain Duke filled it in a fight just now that entailed heavy expense, manfully enough-and his Ministers can not make much impression on the indebtedness of the country.

THE LONDON POLICE. Though we like to hear from the lips of foreigners how impressed they are by the way in which our constables move or stay the flood tide of London traffic with the motion of a mighty hand, we are getting a little apprehensive about the detective qualities of our force. Within a very few years there have been ter sensational murders, not counting smaller and Galveston as her destination. Nothing more to be as far from a solution as ever. In their was heard of her until, when she was 100 days defence they say that they have information out from Tahiti, a message comes to hand that that convinces them as to the guilt of indivithe junk has suddenly appeared at Thursday | duals in various cases but the evidence that Island. Thirty guineas had been paid on her would be accepted in a court of law as justifying dinner of the Association of the Straits Settlea conviction is lacking. Outside London the ments and the Federated Malay States at the situation is similar. The murderer of Mrs. Luard at Sevenoaks is still undiscovered, and nobody has been proved to be guilty of the Bournemouth Cliff murder, in which Mr. Granville Alabaster, the secretary of the China. Association, shone in the defence which led to the acquittal of the arrested soldier.

THE STATE OF THE EXCHEQUES. While the unemployment returns show that the past month brought a worse situation rather than a better one, and the percentage of unemployment is now 9.5 per cent, the worst for many years, the troubles of the Chancellor of the Exchequer are increasing, and I hear from a Liberal source that the feeling is in political circles that £20,000,000 will have to be found in fresh taxation. Of this there is likely to be a a real deficit of £6,000,000 as between the estimated revenue and expenditure. Old Age Pensions will take £7,000,000, and the Navy health of the poorer population. and Education will swallow the rest.

How is this to be met? My informant suggested that £6,000,000 less will be paid into the Sinking Fund, taxation of ground values, a graduated income tax or a surtax on great wealth, and increased charges for liquor licenses (if the Lords throw out the Licensing Bill) being left to find the remainder. These are some of the "hen roosts" Mr. Lloyd George The N.Y.K. str. Takasaki Maru (Bombay has an envious eye on, and he is said to be con-Line) left Moji on the 22nd inst., and is ex- fident that he will ride through his troubles unscathed. He is perhaps peculiarly suited to the task, for his temperament and mental outfit may be described as "artful." But there will The P.M. str. Mongolia with the American be great opposition from the Balfourian side of the House next March for a certainty. to the usual ports of call, will call at Munila and | with the cries of confiscation and Socialism her arrival date in Hongkong will consequently | efreely flung at the heads of a harassed Govern-

BRITISH PLEET IN THE PACIFIC.

The desire of Imperialists to have a large British fleet sent to Australia and the Pacific possessions generally next year, to show that Great Britain as well as the United States has a great navy, does not promise to be realised, for though the Government in reply to questions have given a sort of conditional promise to send some ships to the Pacific islands, Australia is not to be given a demonstration of British naval might. The attitude of the Government is that Australia knows the ships are there anyway, and the Government is aiding Australia to form her own naval force, which is not satisfactory to those who have been struck by the impression made by the American fleet in the Pacific.

THE OPIUM CONFERENCE.

The composition of the British delegation to the International Opium Congress at Shanghai is held to cover all the interests concerned, from those of the rabid opponents of the drug, like Mr. Robert Laidlaw, M.P., to Colonial representatives like Mr. Brunyate, for India, and Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Deputy-I fancy every paper in London tried to | Minister of Labour. Then there is Sir Cecil abilities of the last named, and there was no hesitation in selecting him to head the

Mr. Laidlaw, I fancy, will have to meet some little discussions if he goes about in Hong-At the Chinese Legation the Chinese flag | kong much. He says he will leave by the Siberian route on December 5 and will be accompanied by Miss Laidlaw who will not as

BUSINESS OF THE CONGRESS.

In case you have not before you the terms of the business of the Congress, I may add that the points are:-

1-To devise means to limit the use of opium in the possessions of the respective countries (China, Japan, Great Britain, United States' France, Germany, Holland, and Portugal, will be represented).

2-To ascertain the best means of suppressing the opium traffic, if such now exists, among the nationals of the Governments in the Far East.

3-To be in a position so that when the Commission meets in Shanghai the representatives of the various Powers may be prepared to co-operate and to offer, jointly or severally, definite suggestions of measures which the respective governments may adopt, looking to the gradual suppression of opium cultivation, traffic and use within their Eastern possessions, thus assisting China in her purpose of eradicating the evil in the Empire.

been studying the growth of the opium habit in Canada, and Dr. Wright of the United States, will, for instance, have reports from the Eastern side of the Pacific, showing the evil to be extending its area of operations.

I hear that the Commission will last at least three months.

THE SITUATION IN CHINA. Dr. Henry Fowler, whose medical mission is at Hiau Hau, is home on leave and this week has been speaking in Birmingham on the situation in China. He thinks the crisis will lead to the betterment of the country and he shed no thears at the bier of the Empress for her chest is empty and the most strenuous Downger. The great trouble, in his opinion, efforts of the young king Manuel who is trying is that the Chinese do not understand the sequence of events and want to get at finality before a beginning has been made. A least a removenting, in their capacity of Chairman and section of the Chinese were demanding a position the British nation had only won by stages. The cry was to-day of China for the Chinese, and the missionaries feared that from the strife and restlessness would come changes for which the country was not ready. The Regent, he fears, will be limited in his powers by the reactionary party around him, represented by fossilised minds, who will domand a return to the old state of things. Still, the Chinese people wanted to got in touch with Western things and there were many indications that China was turning her back on the past.

STRAITS DINNER.

The Earl of Crewe, Colonial Secretary, was th chief guest on Wednesday night at the annus Whitehall Rooms. Mr. W. H. Shelford presided and said though the past year in Singapore was not a prosperous one the depression loomed larger because it was compared with the pro. sperity to which they had been accustomed. What was required was development in banking and shipping channels, not in reckless gambling but in the direction of sound, commonsense

Mr. Hugh Fort in reply to the toast of prosperity to the Straits Settlements and Federated Malay States, regretted that the currency question had not been settled. In regard to the opium restrictions he urged that when the report of the Opium Commission was received the health of the opium smoker should be considered and the prevention of illicit sales of morphia and cocaine enforced by law. Otherwise there would be no improvement in the

Mr. A. H. Drew in proposing the health the guests claimed distinction for the colony that had no poor, no unemployed and above all no suffragettes, and said the Chinese immigrants who came as labourers and stayed in the Straits as traders were amongst most respected and worthy citizens.

Lord Crewe associated the depression in Malaya with the wave of slackness that was afflicting the whole world, and said the condition of things had been brought about by the gambling more of people outside the area affected than by local gambling. Passing to local conditions he said that as regards the Straits dock expropriation by the Government, though that was a bargain which had been ratified by a previous Chancellor of the Exchequer, every fort would be made to utilise the knowledge

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and experience of those on the spot. who were best acquainted with the local necessities of the case, be the bargain as good as it was suggested or the reverse. Bearing in mind the To this end Mr. Mackenzie King, who has admirable part played in the government of the Federated Malay States by the native rulers he was heartily in accord with the sentiment that everything that made for closer union between these States and the Straits Settlements was for the advantage of both.

> Complimentary references to the work of Sir John Anderson, Sir Frank Swettenham and Sir Cecil Clementi Smith, were made by Lord Crewe, who added in regard to the last named that "the Colonial Office is greatly indebted to him for the fact that he is once more taking the burden of the East by serving on the up Opium Commission shortly to meet in

THE CHINA ABSOCIATION. Sir Charles Dudgeon and Mr. C. Granville Alabaster were present at the Straits dinner Becretary respectively, the China Association. Other old China hands present were Sir Thomas Jackson, the former Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Mr. William Keswick, M.P. (both looking wonderfully hale and hearty) and Rear-Admiral Sir J. R. Jellicoelooking none the worse for his dangerous wound at the abortive attempt to relieve the Legations at Peking in 1900. It was pleasant to meet the son of an old friend like Sir Challoner Alabaster, who did so much at Canton and elsewhere in China to uphold British prestige in the country. It was also pleasant to hear from the Secretary that the London Branch of the China Association flourishes exceedingly, and I cannot help thinking the Association is fortunate in securing the services of this rising young barrister.

The China Association is certainly a much more useful and active body than the Straits Settlements Association, which does next to no real work for the Southern Colony; but at least in one respect the Straits Settlement Association scores. This is in respect to the length and quality of the speeches delivered at the dinner. Not only was the toast list shorter, but the speeches, with one exception, were kept within reasonable bounds, and an opportunity was given to make the gathering what it ought to be-a reunion of old friends for the chance of awakening memories of old times when all were Far Eastern exile).

ANTI-OPIUM CAMPAIGN.

There appears to be a likelihood of the antiopium men here carrying on a good deal of agitation in the near future. Last night some thirty of them conferred with Mr. Laidlaw. prior to the departure of the latter to the Far of East, and the hope was expressed that the opium traffic might be suppressed immediately in the Crown Colonies. To this end further questions are to be addressed shortly to the Ministers in the House of Commons, and a number of meetings in the country are to ventilate the subject.

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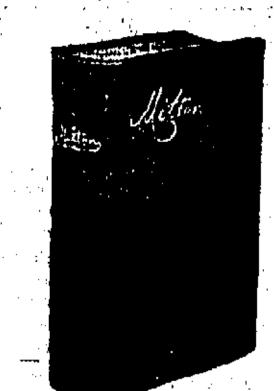
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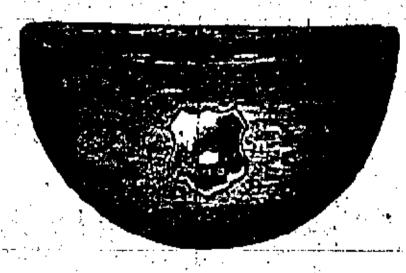
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FROM MANY SOURCES.

All the world is interested in the Abrussi romance, and a Paris contemporary has entertained its readers with the occupations of Miss Elkins Nearly all her time is occupied in sending and receiving messages from the Duke. and looking after her trousseau. The gem of the account is the announcement that there has for the young lady, consequently a superh month and Devenport, and in addition there gramophone has been procured, which grinds were to be commenced six fast protected cruisers, Her mother, it is added, takes part in the lessons, and the remainder by contract. The cruisers but her progress in the language of Dante is are to be of the second class, with a speed less facile than her daughter's.

Of 26 knots and 28,000 horse-power, and the

and who laboured at the Cambridge Observatory | pany, of Govan; and William Beardmore and for nearly forty years. His reputation as an Co., of Dalmuir-on-Clyde. observer began with the discovery of the asteroid Metis in 1848. After his appointment turbine machinery for their respective cruisers, as first assistant at the University Observatory, with the exception of the vessel to be laid down he devoted the greater part of his time for a at Elswick. the machinery of which will be

tions under his name is lengthy.

supper each had half a twopenny loaf and a pint | Iron Company of Millwill; and Messrs. Yarrow of beer. At the high table poultry broth and and Company of Scotstown. The last-mentionbeef were served, and at the second a plentiful, ed firm refused to submit any tender. supply of broth and beef. Herring's and those good old days had their brewhouse, a and Engineering Company and Cammell, perquisite of the porter, who was permitted to Laird and Company, and at the same time sell ale to the students.

miscreant who was annoying them. The orderly Engineering and Iron Shipbuilding Company, saluted, and begged to be allowed to act alone. of Glasgow. assuring his colonel that he would soon catch | Of these last-mentioned tenders that of the culprit. The officer, admiring his pluck, Messrs. White's was lowest; then came that of agreed, and the next morning the soldier the London and Glasgow Engineering and walked in with the head of the sniper. The Shipbuilding Company, followed by Beardmore's officers were loud in their praise of the soldier's and Thornycroft's, while that of Hawthorn valour. "Oh, sirs, I had no difficulty," he said. You see. I know his ways. He was my father."

We have in these days some wonderful cases of burglary; but in 1303 was successfully carried out what Mr. Marks, in his new book "Tyburn Tree," says remains after six centuries "the greatest burglary on record." The amount was £100,000, equal to £2,000,000 in money of the present day, and it was taken from the King's Treasury at Westminster. Some monks were blamed, and remanded to the Tower. sacrist of Westminster was condemned, but his sentence is unknown. Certain doors giving In a length of two miles between the dam and access to the Treasury were found later to have | the island of El Hessa, no fewer than eleven been covered with skin inside and outside. Sir cemeteries had been found, dating from prehis-Gilbert Scott submitted a piece to an eminent, toric times dewnwards. There were cemeteries microscopist, who pronounced it to be human of slaves and of criminals put to death by skin. Dean Stanley was of opinion that there was no period to which the fragments of skin could be so naturally referred as to that of the

The firmicial world is greatly amused at the news, which appears quite authentic, that Mr. James Stillman, one of the leaders of the Standard Oil Trust, controls the Outlook magazine (New York), of which the President will become editor on the expiration of his term of office. Thus Mr. Roosvelt will indirectly become an employe of the Trust, or so his enemies maintain.

problem of domestic work," Mr. John Hassall, the artist, declares, "The tides will supply us with electricity. Instead of having to work and wash and scrub, women will merely press an electric button. The result will be that women will give all their time to the cultivation of physique by means of games and athlethics A magnificent race of women will be the result. The woman of six feet will. I incline to think be not at all exceptional in a hundred years time. Hands and feet will be proportionately larger, and the systematic exercise of the muscles will enlarge the waist."

BOER CALL TO BRITISH.

REQUEST FOR LARGER SOUTH AFRICAN Colonel Seely, M.P., Under-Secretary of

State for the Colonies, made a remarkable announcement to the Manchester Reform Club bearing on the recent statements concerning. the relations between British and Boers in the

"Now that this country has applied the solvent and free political institutions under the common flag," Colonel Seely said, "I can say F. Troops at Kowloon, as their Parade service.) without hexitation that we have got in South The offertories at both services will be in aid of Africa complete reconciliation between the two the Winter Belief work of the Church Army and great races.

between the Dutch and English in South Africa, I will mention what has not previously help, will be welcomed this morning between 10 been made known: that the most urgent a.m. and noon. representations have been made to the British Government by the most influential and most trusted of the leaders of the Dutch people of South Africa in favour of the maintenance of the largest possible garrison of British soldiers in South Africa. (heers.)

"That is a striking and remarkable fact! Seven years ago I was engaged with 15,000 other Englishmen in trying to put General For the convenience of Roman Catholics there Botha in a corner. If an angel had then whispered in my ear that the men we trying to kill would in so short a time writing urgent letters to the British Government begging and imploring them to maintain in South Africa the largest force of British troops possible I would have looked upon it as a

"But the fact remains that this has been done. The British Government has been able in some respects to meet the wishes of the responsible Government of South Africa. This is not only a tribute to the British Army, but it is a most striking proof that racialism is dead."

NEW SHIPS FOR THE BRITISH NAVY.

In the 1908-9 Naval Estimates the proposal was made to lay down one battleship and one been a difficulty in obtaining an Italian master | battleship orniser, which were allotted to Portsout in melodious tunes the elements of Italian sixteen torpedo boat destroyers, and a number grammar and in this way Miss Elkins, we are of submarines, of which one cruiser and two told, is becoming acquainted with the accidence, submarines were to be built in the dockyards contracts for four of these have been divided One of the oldest resident members of between Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whit-Cambridge University has passed away in the worth, and Co., Elswick-on-Tyne: Vickers, person of Mr. Andrew Graham, whose work as | Sons and Maxim, Barrow-in-Furness; the an astronomer is known throughout the world, Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Com-

The firms mentioned will manufacture the

quarter of a century to the Cambridge Star constructed by the Wallsend Slipway and Catalogue of 14,464 stars, which was published Engineering Company (Limited), Wallsend-on-in 1897. He had reached the age of 93.

Type. It is understood that the quoting for these four cruisers was very close. The order To the small band possessing the distinction for the fifth vessel has not yet been given out. of the Order of Merit-to whom belong Miss For the construction of the sixteen torpede-Florence Nightingale and Mr. George Meredith | boat destroyers, which are to have a speed of 27 Mr. Alfred Russel Wallace is now added.
The veteran of science is now eighty-five years of age. He is a Monmouthshire man of Scottish descent. In his long career he has taken interest in many matters besides his first love of natural science; including such questions with the Admiralty from the following fourteen Cowes; J. I. Thornycroft and Co., of Woolston; William Beardmore and Co., Dalmuir; the as land nationalisation and a belief in the London and Glasgow Engineering and Iron futility of vaccination; and the list of publica. Shipbuilding Company of Glasgow; John Brown and Company, of Clydebank; the Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering College Echoes give interesting glimpses of Company; William Denny and Brothers, of life at St. Andrews just two centuries ago. Dumbarton: Cammell, Laird and Company, of Students paid nothing for their rooms, but £3 | Birkenhead: Palmer's Shipbuilding and Iron 10s. per quarter enabled them to dine at the high | Company of Farrow-on-Tyne; Sir W. G. Armtable. For £5 11s. 1d. poorer men could get strong, Whitworth and Company, Elswick; R. through the whole session—just six months. and W. Hawthorn, Leelie, and Company of Breakfast was served at 7 a.m. and consisted of Newcastle-on-Tine; William Dowford and Sons, an oatmeal loaf and half a pint of beer. For of Sunderland: the Thames Shipbuilding and

Of these sixteen destroyers, an order for nine. flounders sometimes graced the board. Beer was equally divided between John Brown there was in abundance, and the colleges in and Company, the Fairfield Shipbuilding an order for one destroyer was given to the Thames Shipbuilding Company. The remain-In the Strand Magazine Mr. Harry Furniss ing firms were subsequently asked to submit tells a good story which he heard from a friend, revised tenders. The orders for the remaining the colonel of a Sikh regiment in India. The six torpedoboat destroyers have been distributed officers were much annoyed by some native thus: Messrs. J. S. White and Company (two), hanging about their camp and "sniping" them and one vessel to each of the following with a rifle. The colonel sent for his orderly, a Hawthern, Leslie, and Company, J. I. Thornynative soldier, and said he wanted a squad to go | croft and Company, William Beardmore and over the mountain that night and catch the Company, and the Bondon and Glasgow

Leslie and Company was the highest in amount accepted.

LIFE IN ANCIENT EGYPT.

New light has been thrown on the conditions of life in ancient Egypt by the discoveries of the Archæo logical Survey in Nubia, which were referred to by Mr. F. A. Hilton, the president of the Egypt Exploration Fund, in his annual address to the members at Burlington House. hanging. Most of the latter had cords about the neck, after the manner of prisoners led up for execution; others had been decapitated, whilst others again had fractured skulls, spear wounds in the back, and se on. There were also cometeries of foreign Christian monks. Among these bodies occurred the only instance of gout known in Egypt. Another cemetery furnished an instance of appendicitis.

Scattered amidst the graves of human bodies in one cemetery were found others containing dogs. One animal had ivory bracelets around its legs, several had twisted leather collars, and one a long leather lead attached. It "By 2008 electricity will have solved the was quite interesting to note that even in prehistoric times these ancient Egyptians kept pet dogs, the teeth of which, in many instances, were in very bad condition, being worn and much decayed, thus affording evidence that they had been domesticated and greatly pampered. Operations had been commenced by Professor Flinders Petrie on the immense site of Memphis, which were expected to yield most important results.

The financial report of the hon, treasurer Mr. H. A. Grueher, stated that the committee had been able to wipe out all excess of previous years, and the funds would provide the greater part of coming outlay in excavations during next season at Abydos. The total receipts during the year from all sources had been

CHURCH SERVICES.

At St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, to-morrow (Christmas Day), Holy Communion will be administered at 8 a.m. and at the close of the Midday service. Morning Prayer and Sermon at 11 a.m. (attended, we ther permitting by the C. of the work of "Child rescue" known as "Dr. Bar-"As a striking proof of the good feeling nardo's Homes." Gifts of flowers, &c. for the etween the Dutch and English in South decoration of the Church, and offers of personal

> The orders by Major-General R. G. Broadwood, C.B., Commanding the Troops in South China announce that Divine Service will be conducted on Chri-tmas Day at the various barracks and At the 8.20 a.m. Church of England Service

> at the Cathedral there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion, and the collections will be given to the local Hospitals. will be services on Christmes Day at 7.45 a.m.

> 8.15. a.m., 8.35 a.m. and 9 a.m. Solemon mass at 10 a.m. On New Year's tray Divine Service for Roman Catholics will take place at St. Joseph's Church at 11 a.m. and at 9 a.m.

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ITHE Steamship

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obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 24th Dec., will be subject

All broken chafed, and, damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th Dec., at 9.30 A.M. All Claims must reach as before the 28th Dec., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, 17th December, 1908.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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goods are landed. Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given the contrary within

Goods not cleared by the 28th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me n any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten. days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. Hengkong, 21st December, 1908.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees. before 6 P.M., To-DAY requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remained unclaimed after TUESDAY the 29th Dec., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 29th Dec., or they will not be recognized. All damaged packages will be examined on Tuesday, the 29th Dec., at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. NALIN, Hongkong, 22nd December, 1908. AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVI-

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND

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SHANGHAI. THE Company's Steamship

"E. FRANZ FERDINAND," having arrived. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that Goods will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 29th Dec., 1908, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 29th Dec., 1908, will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELER & Co.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1908

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. ABRATOON APCAR, British str., 2,931, A. Stewart, 23rd Dec.—Calcutta via Straits and Bingapore 17th Dec., General-David, Sassoon & Co.

CARNARVONSHIRE, British str., 4,219, F. Ingram, 23rd Dec .- London 4th Nov. and Singapore 16th Dec., General-Shewan,

Tomes & Co. CHEONGSHING, British str., 23rd Dec.—Canton. DAIYA MARU, Jap. str., 1,735, K. Kabayashi, 23rd Dec.—Wakamatsu 18th Dec., Coal-Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

HAIYANG, British str., 1,362, A. E. Hodgins, 23rd Dec.—Coast ports 22nd December, General-Douglas Lapraik & Co. Haldis, Norwegian str., 1,065, Solberg, 23rd Dec. - Chinking 19th December, Rice-

Hamburg-Amerika Linie. HANYANG, British str., 23rd Dec.—Canton. Hongkong, French str., 742, A. Cornelinsen, 23rd Dec. - Haiphong 15th and Hoihow

21st Dec., General—A. R. Marty. Koonshing, British str., 23rd Dec.—Canton. Progress, Norwegian str., 1,671, P. Schjenig, 22nd Dec., Karatzu 15th Dec., Coal-Wallem & Co.

TJIPANAS, Dutch str., 2,444, A. W. La Rooy, 23rd Dec.—Shanghal 18th and Amoy 22nd Dec., General-Java-China-Japan Lijn.

CLEARANCES. AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE. 23rd December. C. Diederichsen, German str., for Holhow.

Hanyang, British str., for Swatow. Hongbee, British str., for Amoy. Kohsichang, German str., fcr Ewatew. Koonshing, British str., for Shanghai. Quarta, German str., for Batavia. Shibetoro Maru, Jap. str., for Takao. Solfond, Norwegian str., for Penang. Telemachus, British str., for Saigon. Tungshing, British str., for Shanghai. Yingchow, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES. 23rd December. HALMUN, British str., for Swatow. KIUKIANG, British str., for Amoy. KNIVSBERG, German str., for Haiphong. KUMANO MARU, Jap. etr., for Japan. LENNOX, British str., for New Nork. NIKKO MARU, Jap. str., for Manila. SHAOHSING, British str., for Canton. SUNDA, British str., for Yokohama. TONKIN, French str., for Yokohama. WAKASA MARU, Jap. str., for Singapore. Yushun, Chinese str., for Shanghai.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British str. A. Apcar reports: Moderate monsoon, fine and clear weather. The British str. Cornarvonshire reports: Fine weather and light monsoon all the passage.

> VESSELS IN DOCK. December 23rd,

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MARSEILLES & LONDON VIA POMBAY	MACEDONIA	Brit. str Jap. str		P. & O. S. N. Co	On 20th March. On 80th inst., at D'light
GENOA. MARSEILLES, LONDON, & ANTWERP, &C. MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA BINGAPORE, &C.	FADO MARU	Jap. Rtr	Geo. Anderson	NIPPON YUSHN KAISHA	On 6th Jan., at D'light On 20th Jan., at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c. NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR &C	BUELCW	Jap. str — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	H. Formes	Милонива & Со	On 80th inst, at Noon.
NAPLES. GENOA, ALGIDES, GIBBALTAR, &C		Ger. str —	Nitsche	MELCHERS & Co	On 10th March. On 26th inst., at D'light
TRIESTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c	Sikh	Brit. str —	Williams	JARDINE, MATUREON & Co. LD.	On 26th inst. On 5th Jan.
NEW YORK & BOSTON VIA SUEZ PORTS	MUNCASTER CASTLE	Brit, str	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	DODWELL & Co., LD	On 19th Jan. On 16th Jan., at 7 A.M.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI J. PAN, &c	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str 1 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co	On 2nd March, at Noon.
VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &C.	PHINTRO HIVEO	Jan. str		DODWELL & Co, LTD	On 5th Jan., at Noon. On 14th Jan.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA VIA JAPAN VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &C.	TANCO MARU	Jap. : tr — Brit, str 1 m.	*	BUTTERFIELD & SWIER	On 19th Jan., at Noon. On 29th Jan., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	MIARO MARO	Jap. atr	R. Swain	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA MELCHERS & Co	To-day, at Noon. On Slet inst, at 5 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TRINZ WALLDEMAR	Ger. str	P. T. Helms	Gibb, Livingston & Co	On 7th Jan, at Noon.
ACSTRALIAN FORTS VIA MANILA	KUMANO MABU	Jap. str —	K. Homma	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd Jan., at Noon. On 26th inst., at D'light
ROBE & YOKOHAMA	WAKAMIYA MARU	Jap. str — Dut. str	T. Yamawaki H. Koons	. Java-China-Japan Lijn	On 4th Jan. Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	FCONBHING	Brit. str		JARDINE, MATHEBON& Co., Ld. P. & O. S. N. Co.	
SHANGHAI. TSINGTAU, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO, &C	ABBAXE	Brit. str	. V. McClymont-Liddel	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ld.	On 28th inst, at 4 P.M.
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SHANGHAI MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NYANZA	Brit, etc. 10		.] P. & O. S. N. Co	About 2nd Jan. On 4th Jan, P.M.
SHANGHAI. KOBE & YOKOHAMA	' DIDOPT	Frenstr	101 101 101 400 101 41	Jardinu, Mathebon & Co., Ld.,	On 11th Jan, at Noon
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SHANGHAI	SHIBETORO MARU	Jap. str	S. Atsumi	OBAKA SHOSEN KARHA	On 27th inst, at D'light On 29th inst., at 8 A.M.
TAMBUT VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJIN MARU	Brit. str 1 m.	G. H. Pennefather	BUTTERFIELD & SWIBE	To-day, wi P.M.
GWATOW AMOY & FUOCHOW	HAIYARG	Brit. str Z n.	H. A. Hards		To-morrow, at Noon. To-day, at 4 P.M.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	* EVIDENT PROFESSION	Brit. str 2 h.	J. W. Evans	DOUGLAS LAPRAIR & Co	On 27th inst, at 10 A.M. On 29th inst, at Noon.
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MANILA	RUBI	Brit. str	A. W. Onterbridge	BHEWAN, TOMES & CO	On 29th inst., at 3 P.M.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brita str.	B. Redger	JARDINE MATHEBON & CO., LD. SHEWAN TOMES & CO	On 2nd Jan., at Noon.
MANILA	TAMING	Brit. str 1 m.	A. Somerville	MELCHERS & Co	On 5th Jan., at 3 P.M. On 29th inst., at Noon.
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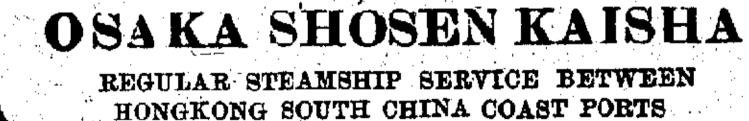
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* MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Baturday, 26th Dec., Noon. Monday, 28th Dec., 4 P.M.
+ SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, WEI-)		
HAIWEI, CHEFOO & CHINGWANTAO	"CHEONGSHING	"Monday, 28th Dec., Noon.
- * SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTT	A"LAISANG" .	Tuesday, 29th Dec., Noon.
A WELL STEEL &	"LAJUNUBANU"	Thursday, 31st Dec., 4 P.M.
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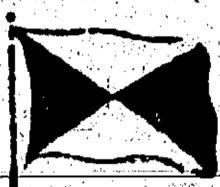
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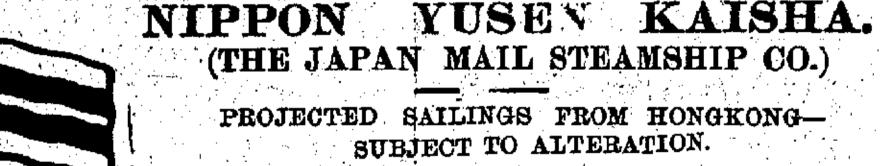
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On Friday (New Year's Day) the office will be open from 7 to 9 a.m. On Saturday the 2nd January the office will be open from 7 a.m. to noon for despatching the

American mail. There will be one delivery of letters and one collection as on Sundays. The money order office will be entirely closed.

The Public are informed that the next outgoing Parcel Mail to Europe will be closed in this office to-day, at 5 p.m.

The Receipts for Parcels via Gibraltar by the incoming English mail from Europe will by delivered to the addressees on Christmas Eve. In the event of the steamer not arriving until Christmas Day, the Percels will not be ready for delivery to the Public until 3 hours after receipt of the mail.

Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dalny and Siberia. 25th December at 10.00 a.m. Slat December.... ... at 8.30 p.m. 8th January at 10.00 a.m.

The Assays, with the English mail of the 27th November, left Singapore on Saturday, the 19th Inst., at 5 p.m. and may be expected here to day, at 5 p.m. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 27th Oct., and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 18th November, and for despatch overland on the 25th of November.

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	Sui Tai	Thursday, 24th, 1.15 P.M.
Amoy, Manila, Cobu and Iloilo	Sungkiang	Thursday, 24tb, 3.00 P.M.
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Carles and Renewals	Choising	Thursday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.
Sirgapore, Penang and Colombo	E. F. Ferdinand	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
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THE AMERICAN MAIL. The O. & O. str. Asia arrived at Manila Monday the 21st inst. between noon and 2 p.m., and will probably sail from that port for Hongkong to-day between 4 and 6 p.m.

THE ENGLISH MAIL. The P. & O. str. Assage left Singapore for this port on the 19th inst at 5 p.m., with the outward English Mails, and is due here today at about 5 p.m. THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. P. E. Friedrich carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 2nd inst., has left Colombo on the 20th inst. a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 31st inst. THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

Sydney on Wednesday the 16th inst. at 7 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 6th THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. Empress of Japan left Vanconver s.m. on Thursday the 10th inst., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call. MERCHANT STRAMBES.

The N.Y.K. str. Santiki Maru (European Line) left Singapore on the 18th inst., and is expected here to-day. The G.N. str. Minnesota left Shanghai on the 22nd inst., and is expected here to-day

The str. Craigvar sailed from Scattle on the 15th inst., for Hongkong via Moji. The E. & A. str. Eastern left Sydney on 19th just for Queensland Ports, Timor, Manila and

The Ben Line str. Benvorlich from Middlesbro Antworp and London left Singapore on 19th inst. for this port. The N.Y.K. str. Shinano Maru (American Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 18th inst., and is here on the 27th inst.

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SHIPPING IN PORT.

STRAMERS.

BAN-TER. American str., 329, D. Francisco Fabrigor, 5th Nov .- Manila 2nd Nov. Sugar-Order. Bobneo, German str., 1,344, F. Sembill, 18th Dec.-Sandakan 12th Dec., Timber and

General-Melchers & Co. C. DIEDERICHSEN, German str., 774, Kayser, 21st Dec.—Haiphong and Hoihow 19th Dec., General—Jebsen & Co. CHEONGSHING, British str., 1,256, Liddell, 15th

Dec.—Bangkok 10th Dec., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

Dec., General-Butterfield & Swire. CHINKIANG, British str., 1,228, W. Kay, 21st cake etc.—Butterfield & Swire.— CHIYO MARU, Japanese str., 7,250, W. W.

Greene, 21st Dec.—Yokohama 16th Dec., Handy, torpede-boat destroyer 275 tons, 6 gune, General—Nippon Yusan Kaisha. Chunsang, British str., 1,418, E. Sawer, 16th Matheson & Co. DAKOTAH, British str., 2,593, Ross, 21st Dec.-

Standard Oil Co. DERWENT, British str., 1,562, J. Jenkins, 17th

DEVAWONGSE, German str., 1,057, Bruhn, 21st Dec., Rice and Teak-Butterfield & Swire. F. FERDINAND, Austrian str., 3,843, E. Nitsche, 22nd Dec.—Shanghai 19th Dec.,

General-Sander, Wieler & Co. December-Chinking 13th Dec., General -C. M. S. N. & Co. FRI, Norwegian str., 860, C. Wegle, 17th Nov.

GEFFEVALE, British str., 3,846, Steel, 17th Dec. Moorhen, river gunbout, 180 tons, 2 guns

-Newcastle and Port 20th Nov., Coal-Messageries Maritimes. HANYANG, British str., 1,207, Trowbridge, 19th Lient. Comdr. R. S. Roy, R.N., Yangteze. -Butterfield & Swire.

Dec.—Chinwangtao 10th December, Nil.— Gibb, Livingston & Co. Hongshe, British str., 2,056, J. Home, 21st Dec.—Singapore 15th Dec., General—

Hern Chr. Chinese str., 1,385, Jamieson, 18th Dec.—Shanghai 14th Dec., General— Taku, torpedo boat destroyer Gunner Barlow, Chinese. HSIN FUNG, Chinese str., 1,368, H. Mckinson, Tamer, receiving ship, 4,600 tons, 6 guns, 21st Dec.—Taku 15th and Chefoo 16th

Dec. General-Chinese. KASHING, British atr., 1,143, Pickard, 21st Dec. -Chinkiang 16th December, General - Thistle, gunboat, 710, tons, 900 h.p., Lieut, Butterfield & Swire.

KOHSICHANG, German str., 1,292, C. Rosiefsky, 5th Dec.-Bangkok 19th Nov. Rice and Timber-Butterfield & Swire. Koonsming, Br. str., 1,333, W. G. G. Leask, Waterwitch, surveying ship, 620 tons, 450 i.b.p. 16th Dec .- Shanghai 13th Dec., General-

Jardine, Matheson & Co. KWANGERE, Chinese str., 1,487, R. Lincoln 21st Dec Shanghai 18th Dec. General C. M. S. N. Co. Kweilan, British, str., 1,200, W. Brown, 11th

Butterfield & Swire LAISANG, British str., 2,224, F. Wheeler, 15th Dec.—Singapore 8th, December, General— Woodlark, gunboat, 150 tons, 2 guns, 550 h.p. Jardine, Matheson & Co. LOCKSUN, German str., 1,020, W. Taubert,

22nd Dec.—Hangkok 13th Dec., Rice and General—Butterfield & Swire. MANDASAN MARU, Jap. str., 3,246, Shimidau, 22nd Dec.-Kutchinotzu 16th Dec., Coal Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

NICOMBUIA. German str., 4,363, P. Wageman 12th Dec. Portland via Ports 11th Nov. General-P. A. S. S. Co. NORD, British str., 1,145, Prynn, 22nd Dec Anping 20th Dec., Ballast -- Geo. MoBa

PHEANANG, German str., 1,021, Fr. v. Mange dorff, 18th Dec.-Bangkok and Swat 17th Dec., General-Butterfield & Swire Peinz Waldemar, German str., 1,737, W:

Senden, 12th Dec.—Sydney 17th No Melchers & Co. QUARTA, German str., 1,142, H. Madsen, 13 Dec. Banka Island 1st Dec., Mollane

Sander, Wieler & Co.. Rust, British str., 1,619, R. W. Almond, 21 Dec.-Manila 19th Dec., General-Shewan, Thomes & Co. Samsen, German str., 998, F. Schmite, 13th Dec.—Bangkok, via Swatow 12th Dec.,

Rice-Butterfield & Swire. SHAOHSING, British str., 1,307, McIntosh, 22nd Dec.—Shanghai 19th Dec., General— Butterfield & Swire. SHIBETORO MARU, Japanese str., Atsumi, 18th Dec.—Tairin 11th December, Coal—Osaka Humidity

Shosen Kaisha. The I.G.M. str. Prince Sigismund has left SHINSHU MARU, Japanese str., 2,163, Osakatsu, 21st Dec.-Moji 15th Dec., Coal-Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. Bragan, British str., 1,097, Jamieson, 18th

Dec.—Haiphong via Hoihow 15th Dec. General—Butterfield & Swire. BOLEOND, Norwegian str., 1,165, H. H. Hanssen, 19th Dec.—Rangoon vis Singapore 7th

Dec., Groundnuts—Chinese. SUNGKIANG, British str., 896, Pennefather, 21st Dec.-Iloilo 16th December, Hemp and Sugar-Butterfield & Swire. TAKASAKI MARU, Jap. str., 3,000, A. Mocker,

28th Nov.—Bombay and Singapore 19th Nov., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha. TELEMACHUS, British str., 1,340, J. Williamson. 11th Dec.-Saigon 4th Dec., General-

Poxi Maru, Jap, str., 3,433, T. Matsushima 19th Dec.-Moji 13th December, Coal-Arnhold Karberg & Co., RIUMPH, German str., 769, J. C. Hansen, 20th Dec.—Haiphong and Hoihow 18th Dec., Rice and General—Jebson & Co.

Tungshing, British str., 1,172, W. Stalker, 14th Dec.-Wuhu 9th December, Rice-Jardine, Matheson & Co. YINGCHOW, British str., 1,215, W. Frazer, 17th Dec.—Ching Wang Tao 11th Dec.

General-Butterfield & Swire. YUENSANG, British steamer, 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, YUNNAN. British steamer, 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, 21st Dec.—Manila 18th Dec., General— Jardine, Matheson & Co. YUNNAN. British str., 1,206, W. O. Jones, 21st Dec.—Chinkiang and Shanghai 18th Dec.

General—Butterfield & Swire. BAILING VESSELS. Annia E. Smale, American 4-masted barque

809, John F. Colstrup, 13th Dec.—Portland Oregon 8th Oct., Lumber-Mr. Jack. DATLIGHT. British barque, 3,060, M. Bryde, 9th October-Yokohama 19th September, Ballast—Standard Oil Co. LYNDHURST, British 4-masted barque, 2,500,

Parnell 14th September Bangkok 25th August, Case Oil—Standard Oil Co.

HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADBON.

Alacrity, despatch-boat, 700 tons, 4 guns, 3,000 h.p., Com. C. T. Fuller, Hongkong. Astraes, 2nd class cruiser, 4,360 tons, 10 guns, 7,009 i.h.p., Captain F. E. C. Ryan,

Hongkong. Bedford, 1st class cruiser, Capt. S. E. Erskine, R.N., Hongkong. Bramble, gunboat 710 tons, 900 i.h.p. Lieut.-Comdr. Hon. R. O. D. Bridgeman,

Shanghai

Britomart, gunboat, 710 tons, 900 h.p., Lieut... Comdr. F. B. Noble, Shangliai, Dec.—Tientsin via Weihaiwei 8th Dec. Cadmus, British sloop, 1,070 tons, Comdr. H. L. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHEORGSHING, British sloop, 1,070 tons, Comdr. H. L.

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P. Heard, Shanghai.

Choising, German str., 1,022, J. Bruhn, 16th

Cherub, water tank and tug, 390 tons, 300 i.h.p.

Master S. West, Hongkong. Clio, British sloop, 1,070 tons, Comdr. C. T. Borrett, Shanghai. Снандсном, British str., 1,203, Partridge, Borrett, Shanghai.
17th Dec.—Chefoo and Weihniwei 12th Fame, torpedo-boat destroyer, 310 tons, 6 guns, 5,700 h.p., Lient-Comdr. Gresson,

Hongkong. Dec. Dalny via Cheroo 15th Dec., Bean Flora, 2nd class cruiser, 4,360 tons, 10 guns, 7,000 i.h.p., Capt. Roland Nugent.

4,000 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. B. J. D. Guy, V.C. Hongkong. Dec. Java 7th Dec., Sugar-Jardine, Hart, torpedo-boat destroyer, 275 tons 6 gun ;

4,000 h.p., Lieut, Comdr. G. C. Dickens, San Francisco 23rd Nov., Kerosene Oil- Janus, torpedo-boat destroyer, 280 tons, 6 guille, 3,900 h.p., Lt, Comdr. C. A. Freemantle, Hongkong.

Dec.—Saigon 12th December, General— Kent, 1st class cruiser, 9,800 tons, 14 guns, Chinese.

22,000 i.h.p., Capt. G. C. A. Marescanz Hongkong. Dec.—Bangkok 10th and Holhow 19th King Alfred, 1st class cruiser. Flag ship of Vice-Admiral the Hon. Sir Hedworth

Lambton, Commander-in-Chief, 14,100 tons. 18 guns, 30,000 i.h.p. Capt. L. Clinton. Baker, Saigon. FOOSHING, British str., 1,423, F. Lishman, 17th Kinshs. river gunboat, 616 tons, Lieut.-Com lr. T. J. S. Lyne, Yangtere.

Merlin, surveying ship, 1,070, tons, 6 guns, 1,400 i.h.p. Comdr., F. H. Walter, Hongkong. -Manila 13th November, Ballast - Asgeard Monmouth, cruiser, 9,800 tons, Capt. G. W. Smith, Woosung. Lieut. 4Comdr., C. C. Walcott. West River.

Nightingale, river gunboat, 85 tons, 240 h.p. December-Chinkiang 15th Dec., General Otter, torpedo-boat destroyer, 385 tons, 6 guns, 6,300 i.h.p., Hongkong. HELIOPOLIS, British str., 2,967, Wiseman, 15th Robin, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 240 h,p.,

Lieut. Comdr. J. White, West River. Sandpiper, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 240 h.p., Lieut. Comdr H. R. Tickell. West Snipe, river gunboat, 65 tons, 2 guns 240 h.p., Lieut-Comdr. Alan Dixon, Yangtsze.

Hongkong. Commodore Lyon, Hongkong. Teal, river gunboat, 180 tons, 2 guns, Lieut, Comdr. H. R. Godfrey, Yangtsze.

Comdr. H. T. Attlay, Yangtse. Virago, torpedo boat destroyer, 395 tons, 6 guns, 6,300 i.h.p., Commander. Stevenson, Hongkong.

Lieut.-Comdr. H. P. Douglas, Hongkong. Whiting, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 5 guns, 5,900 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. J. Kiddle. Hongkong. Widgeon, gunboat 195, tons, 2 guns, 800 h.p

Lt.-Comdr. John F. Knox, Yangtze. Dec. - Chingkiang, 5th Dec., General - Woodcock, gunbont, 150 tons, 2 guns, 550 h.p. Lieut.-Comdr. H. R. V. Cottrell Dormer, Yangteze.

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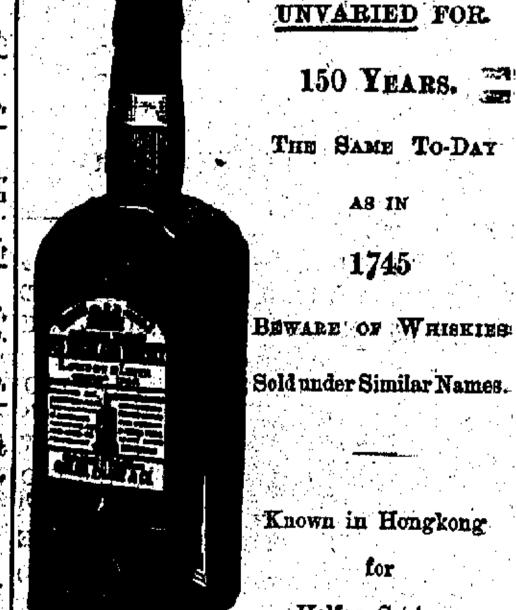
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